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Sir:

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The listed items were cited by the Japanese Patent Office in a counterpart application, namely Patent Application No. 2004-119488. A copy of the office action issued in respect of the parallel Japanese application is enclosed dated September 5, 2006.

Inasmuch as this information disclosure statement is being submitted in accordance with the schedule set out in 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b), no statement or fee is required.

To the best of Applicant(s) knowledge, this information disclosure statement is being filed before the date of mailing of a first Office Action on the merits in connection with this case.

Please charge any deficiency, as well as any other fee(s) which may become due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and/or § 1.17 at any time during the pendency of this application, or credit any overpayment of such fee(s) to Deposit Account 04-1121. Also, in the event any extensions of time for responding and/or petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i)(i) are required for the pending application(s), please treat this paper as a petition to extend the time and/or enter this Information Disclosure Statement as required and charge Deposit Account No. 04-1121 therefor. **TWO (2) COPIES OF THIS SHEET ARE ENCLOSED.**

Early and favorable consideration of this application is respectfully
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Respectfully submitted,



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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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	5135294	08/92	Ohshima et al.			

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION	
						YES	NO
	61-57237	04/17/1986	JAPANESE				
	2004-119488*	09/06/2005	JAPANESE				
	5-7004	01/27/1993	JAPANESE				
	07-224859	08/22/1995	JAPANESE				
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OTHER PRIOR ART (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

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